OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE BUDGET SESSION, 1118

Friday, *the* $\frac{\textit{30th July 1943.}}{\textit{14th Karkadagam 1118.}}$

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at half past eleven of the clock with the Hon'ble the President (A. F. W. Dixon Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.) in the Chair.

Messrs. Walmesley, Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan, Khan Sahib Ismail Hajee Essa Sait and T. P. Poulose were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

DIWAN—SUCCESSOR OF

32. Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether Mr. Dixon, the present Diwan is leaving the service of the State; and

(*b*) whether it has been decided as to who is to succeed him?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)*: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No announcement can yet be made.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: Will Government be pleased to note that the office of the Diwan is the highest in the State and that before rumours circulate certain communiques are issued by the Government in the matter?

Mr. President: I can assure the Hon'ble Member that when the matter is finally settled, a communique will be issued. But it is not possible to issue communiques before final decisions are taken.

MEDICAL, ENGINEERING, ETC., COURSES—PARTICULARS OF CANDIDATES

33. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) during the last 10 years how many Cochin students have been selected and sent up to (i) The Medical College, Madras; (ii) The Engineering College, Guindy; and (iii) The Benares Hindu University;

(*b*) the total amount spent yearly during the last decade at (i) The Madras Medical College; (ii) The Engineering College, Guindy; and (iii) The Benares Hindu University;

(*c*) the number of applicants in each year during the last decade for selection by Government to (i) Medical College, Madras; (ii) The Engineering College, Guindy; and (iii) The Benares Hindu University?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*:

	Year	*Medical College, Madras*	*Engineering College, Guindy*	*Benares Hindu University*
(*a*)	1108	1	2	6
	1109	2	2	6
	1110	1	2	2 (6 selected; only 2 joined)
	1111	2	2	6
	1112	2	2	4
	1113	2	2	4 (6 selected; only 4 joined)
	1114	2	2	1 (6 selected; only 1 joined)
	1115	2	2	7
	1116	2	2	6
	1117	2	2	6

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